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Valek et al.

Application No.: 10/071,420

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
REMOVING COATINGS APPLIED  
TO SURFACES OF A SUBSTRATE

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2004, and in accordance with the automatic extension of time for response provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), amendment to the above-identified patent application is requested. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:



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Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [ ] Applicant claims small entity status.  
[ ] Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement  
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Respectfully submitted,

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